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Decision concerning 223 claims of Bosnia and Herzegovina for departure from Iraq or Kuwait (category "A" claims) taken by the Governing Council of the United Nations Compensation Commission at its 99th meeting, held on 28 September 2000 at Geneva

The Governing Council,

Having received, in accordance with article 37 of the Provisional Rules for Claims Procedure ("the Rules"), the special report and recommendations made by the "D1" panel of Commissioners concerning 223 claims of Bosnia and Herzegovina for departure from Iraq or Kuwait (category "A" claims), 1/

Noting, that the above claims satisfy the criteria for the acceptance of late-filed claims due to the existence of a war situation or civil disorder and evidence of a prior attempt to file the claims within the relevant filing deadlines,

1. Approves the recommendations made by the panel of Commissioners and, accordingly,

2. Decides, pursuant to article 40 of the Rules, to approve the amounts of the recommended awards concerning 180 claims, totaling USD 720,000, as listed in paragraph 15 of the report,

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1/ The text of the report appears in document S/AC.26/2000/15. In conformity with the provisions on confidentiality in the Provisional Rules for Claims Procedure (article 30, paragraph 1 and article 40, paragraph 5), information concerning the amount to be paid to each individual claimant will not be made public, but will be provided to the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina separately.

3. Decides also to approve, subject to receipt by the Commission of the required documentation not later than the deadline as stated in paragraph 2 of decision 12 (S/AC.26/1992/12), the recommended awards to 23 claims, in the amount of USD 4,000 per claim, totaling USD 92,000, as listed in paragraph 16 of report,

4. Decides further that payment with regard to the claims referred to in paragraph 2, above, will be made in the next round of payments, and payment with regard to the claims referred to in paragraph 3, above, will be made in the first round of payment following receipt by the Commission of the required documentation,

5. Recalls that when payments are made, the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina shall, pursuant to the terms of decision 18 (S/AC.26/Dec. 18 (1994)) distribute amounts received to the designated claimants in respect of approved awards within six months of receiving payment, and shall, not later than three months after the expiration of this time limit, provide information on such distribution,

6. Notes that no recommendations have been made for 20 duplicate claims,

7. Requests the Executive Secretary to provide a copy of the report to the Secretary-General, the Government of the Republic of Iraq and the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.